GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1393
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Custodial Deaths
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of persons died in police custody, guilty police personnel arrested and the action taken against them during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to check such cases in future?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

(a): As per information received from National Crime Records Bureau, a statement indicating State-wise, total number of persons who died in police custody, cases registered, police personnel charge-sheeted and police personnel convicted during 2012-2014 is enclosed as Annexure. The National Crime Records Bureau further intimated that the latest data pertains to the year 2014.

(b): Pursuant to the guidelines framed by the National Human Rights Commission, every death in judicial or police custody is to be reported to the Commission within 24 hours of occurrence.

The National Human Rights Commission calls for various reports such as inquest, post mortem report, magisterial enquiry report, viscera report etc. for ascertaining foul play as negligence, if any, by public escorts, which resulted in the death in custody.

During various workshops, seminars camp sittings the National Human Rights Commission sensitizes public servants for better protection of human rights.

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